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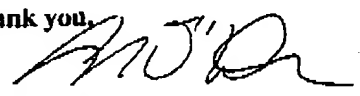
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Method and Apparatus Using Intensity Gradients for  
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Filed: 6/13/2000

Transmitted herewith is a Response to Office Action dated August 15, 2003 and relative to the above-reference patent application. The applicant hereby requests that this response be reviewed and examined accordingly.

Thank you for your assistance with this matter.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

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Serial Number: **09/592,839** Group Art Unit: **2623**  
Filed: **6/13/2000** Examiner: **Mehrdad Dastouri**  
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## RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 15, 2003, Applicant provides the following amendment and remarks:

- **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.
- **Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.